**Orthodox Jewish Prayers**

**Prayer for a sick person**

May He who blessed our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob bless

**For a female**

………….... (name) who is ill. May the Holy One, blessed be He, heal her, have mercy on her, strengthen and invigorate her, granting her a speedy and complete recovery, a healing of body and soul, together with others in Israel who suffer illness.

**For a male**

……………. (name) who is ill. May the Holy One, blessed be He, heal him, have mercy on him, strengthen and invigorate him, granting him a speedy and complete recovery, a healing of body and soul, together with others in Israel who suffer illness.

**On Sabbath add:**

Sabbath is not the time to cry out; may recovery come speedily and soon and let us say, Amen.

**On Festivals add:**

The Festival is not the time to cry out; may recovery come speedily and soon and let us say, Amen.**CONFESSION ON A DEATH BED**

*Before this is recited, the patient should be told:*

*“Fear not. Many confessed and still recovered from their illness, whilst many others did not confess, and died.”*

I acknowledge before You, O Lord my God and God of my fathers, that my cure and my death are in Your hands. May it be Your will to send me a perfect healing. Yet if my death is fully determined by You, I will in love accept it at Your hand. May my death be an atonement for all the sins, iniquities and transgression which I have committed before You. Grant me of the great happiness that is stored up for the righteous. Make known to me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand bliss for evermore.

O father of the fatherless and defender of the widow, protect my dear family, with whose soul my own soul is bound. Into Your hand I commend my spirit; You will redeem me, O Lord, God of truth. Amen and Amen.

*When the end is approaching:*

The Lord is King, the Lord was King, the Lord will be King for ever and ever.

*(To be said three times)*

Blessed be the name of His glorious kingdom for ever and ever.

*(To be said three times)*

The Lord, He is God.

*(To be said seven times)*

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE DEAD**

**For father:**

May God remember the soul of my revered father (insert name) who has gone to his everlasting home. May his soul be bound up in 4the bond of life. May his rest be glorious with the fullness of joy of Your presence, and the bliss of Your right hand, for evermore, Amen.

**For mother:**

May God remember the soul of my revered mother (insert name) who has gone to her everlasting home. May her soul be bound up in the bond of life. May her rest be glorious with the fullness of joy of Your presence, and the bliss of Your right hand, for evermore. Amen.

Father of mercy, in whose hands are the souls of the living and the dead, may Your consolations cheer us as we remember (on this holy day) our beloved and honoured kinsmen who have gone to their eternal rest. We think of our parents the crown of our head and our glory, whose desire it was to guide us in the good and righteous way, to teach us Your commands and precepts, and to instruct us to do justice and to love kindness. We pray You, O Lord, grant us strength to remain faithful to their charge while the breath of life is within us; so may their souls find repose in the land of true life, beholding Your beauty and delighting in Your goodness.

And now, O Good and beneficent God, what shall we say? What shall we utter? Our needs are many, we cannot declare them, Shame covers us as often as we think of all the benefits You have bestowed on us. O turn this day in love and in mercy to the prayers of Your servants who pour out their soul before You. May Your lovingkindness not depart from us. Give us our daily bread, and let us not be in need of the gifts of men. Remove from us care and sorrow, distress and fear, shame and contempt. Strengthen us in our reverence for You, and invigorate us through Your perfect Torah. Grant us the privilege to bring up our children that they may keep Your commandments, and perform Your will all the days of their life. O God, take us not away in the midst of our days. Let us complete in peace the number of our years, Truly we know that our strength is frail, and that You have made our life a few handbreadths long. Help us, O God our redeemer, to live faithfully and blamelessly before You during the years of our sojourn on eat. And when our end draws near and we depart this world, be with us; and may our souls be bound up in the bond of life with the souls of our parents and of the righteous who are ever with You. Amen and Amen.